



BRINKWORTH EARL DANBY'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Serving the communities of Brinkworth and Dauntsey

Headteacher: Mrs A Walch

Believe to Achieve! "Roots will grow down into God's love and keep us strong" EPH 3:17

17th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: change of school timings and TD days for next year

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely Easter break with your children. It has been lovely to welcome them back to school, and it has even stopped raining!

As you may know, the government published a White Paper for education last year. Although this has since been shelved from being delivered, some of the messages within it remain. One of the commitments from the government was that every school would be open for six and a half hours every day for educating children. We are therefore going to be changing the timings of our school days to be fulfil our responsibilities in this area, as currently we are not doing so at the Lower Site.

From September 2023, the new timings for the school days will be:

8:45 – 3:15 Lower Site

9:00 – 3:30 Upper Site

We will still have a soft opening at 8:30 for both sites. At Lower Site, the children will have their play time from 8:30, and go in to class at 8:45. At Upper Site, the children will have some play time, and will then go into class at 8:45 to take part in early morning activities.

This will put us in line with other local schools in terms of our provision, and will allow us to continue to develop our curriculum offer for all children.

We are writing with this news now, so that you have a good amount of notice of the changes in timings. We will also be notifying the bus company, Little Foxes and the taxis, so that they may make the necessary arrangements too.

I would also like to give you notice of the TD days for next academic year. These will be communicated again later in the term, but I wanted you to have them as soon as they had been decided. They are: **1st September, 30th October, 28th March, 5th July and 24th July.**

Many thanks,

A Walch

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